



— State of —
North Dakota
Office of the Governor
John Hoeven
Governor

PROCLAMATION
GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS) DAY
NOVEMBER 16, 2005

WHEREAS, Geographic Information System (GIS) Day is recognized as part of Geography Awareness Week as an important part of geography awareness and literacy in our schools; and

WHEREAS, an understanding of geographic concepts is essential for the wise stewardship of North Dakota's natural resources, the continuation of economic prosperity and the general health and well-being of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, North Dakotans know the value of using new technologies to enhance the state's agricultural, ranching, oil and gas, mining and business production; and

WHEREAS, the management, use and exchange of geographic information are essential for effective decision making by private industry and government organizations.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim November 16, 2005, **GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS) DAY** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/
John Hoeven
Governor

Attest:

/s/
Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State